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A Gloucester, Mass., man has been "bitten 60 times by a pet bulldog."

There's no accounting for tastes in the matter of pets.

A Tennessee man wants congress to pass a law against peck-a-boo waltzes. He must possess an unshoddy desire to get congress to hunt for trouble.

A sea cow 15 feet long and which cost \$2,000 has been added to the New York aquarium. The trouble with these sea cows is that they give salted milk.

The daughter of a Standard Oil magnate has announced her engagement to a chauffeur. Who will be the first to marry her father's aeronaut?

The discovery of a lot of new coal in Pennsylvania will not especially interest the consumer. A find of this kind does not exert any effect on the price.

The New York World publishes an article under the title of "New York Minds Its Own Business." It does so probably because it refuses to recognize the fact that there is any other business.

Boston's school board has announced that the marriage of a teacher will be considered equivalent to her resignation. There has for a long time been a general supposition that Boston school teachers never married.

A Kansas lady insists that woman can never hope to be man's equal until she is able to open a telegram as calmly as she is able to open a can of corn. Why not give her a chance? Let her have equality as soon as she is able to open a telegram as calmly as a man opens a can of corn.

Mrs. Humphrey Ward is coming to this country, perhaps for the purpose of finding out whether she stated the case strongly enough when she said all Americans were insufferably vulgar. Incidentally she will lecture on vulgar things and get as much of their money as possible.

The Candy-makers' association has retained a medical expert to investigate instances of candy poisoning. After diagnosing eight cases in Brooklyn, the deaths were attributed "to bad milk." Of course, the milk dealer's physician will promptly shift the responsibility to breakfast foods.

The boy who was flogged by the driver of an ice wagon for jumping on the step behind and taking a splinter of ice, should have remembered that, at the present rates, a fragment big enough for a cooling mouthful is a valuable piece of property, the taking of which is almost grand larceny.

A Texas railroad has ordered that no boys are to be employed in the company's shops who have not completed eight grades of school, while none are to be taken for clerical work who have not completed a high school course. Compulsory education laws would become mighty nearly obsolete if similar rules were adopted by all business and industrial concerns.

Although many other industries flourish in this country, the manufacture of paupers seems to be on the decline. According to a report of the bureau of the census, the number of paupers in almshouses in every hundred thousand of the population has decreased from 132 in 1880 to a fraction more than 101 in 1903. England and Wales had, in 1905, almost 700 indoor paupers to the hundred thousand of population, or almost seven times the proportion of the United States.

During the fiscal year ending June 30, 1906, there were imported into the United States 50,000 diamonds to the value of \$10,578,000, cut diamonds valued by the custom-house appraisers at \$24,255,000 and other precious stones to the amount of \$4,217,000—a total of more than \$14,000,000. And yet, when the tax assessor goes diamond hunting anywhere in the United States, these gems, so rich and rare, do not sparkle for him. Their luster is dimmed to a few thousand dollars in the forgetful memory of the tax dodger.

The English are objecting seriously to the smell of the American cigarette. This international bond of sympathy is growing.

Immigrants are arriving in New York at the rate of 9,000 a day. They will to some extent offset the summer travel from America to the capitals of the world.

Neither Alfred Beit nor Russell Sage had \$100,000,000, and some day we may learn that even Rockefeller has been worrying along with not much more than half a billion.

The billionaires have at least lived to see the end of all that fussiness about tainted money every time a benefaction was suggested.

The Thuis are at it again—monopolizing. This time, however, it appears to be litigation, or prosecution in the courts, of which they are rapidly acquiring the monopoly.

A decent man should at least carry enough life insurance to tide his wife over the widowed season.—Atlanta Journal. In a good many cases that might be a very small amount.

An eastern ice company is reported to have failed. It must have had a dishonest bookkeeper.

Appendicitis can give you no social standing if you simply treat it with calomel, castor oil and olive oil. It is the operation that counts.

Texas Woman says if only half the lying in the world were stopped, the world would be five times as good as it is. We believe half the lying would be stopped if the women would quit asking their belated husbands, "Where have you been?"

"Idealized criticism, caricatured" is the way a Chicago clergyman describes the three statues through which ministers are obliged to pass.

An Indiana millionaire promises to give his nephew \$50,000 if he abstains from cigarettes. Why not let him smoke them and give the money to his widow?

The farmers of the west are up against their annual proposition of holding on to their wheat or accepting a cut in price dictated by the market manipulators.

## W. L. DOUGLAS'S REVEREND SPEECH

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